1916 GARDENS OF REMEMBRANCE

Ireland and Her Diaspora

Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Easter Rising



CITY OF SPRINGFIELD - WESTERN MASS EVENTS

March 8 - May 22, 2016

Easter Rising: Springfield's Response to the 1916 Rising

This display will include two exhibit cases with photographs, a newspaper of the day, and memorabilia related to the Easter Rising and its impact in Springfield.

Exhibit Open Sunday, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm; Tuesday-Saturday, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm; Closed Monday Lyman and Merrie Wood Museum of Springfield History

Museum admission required

March 13, 2016

PBS Premiere of The 1916 Irish Rebellion Three Part Series

The documentary is an initiative of the Keough-Naughton Institute for Irish Studies at the University of Notre Dame.

Part 1: The Awakening The events in Ireland and abroad that led to the preparations for the Rising.

Part 2: Insurrection The story of the Rising itself and how it unfolded.

Part 3: When Myth and History Rhyme The details of the aftermath and response to the Rising in Ireland and abroad.

Airs at 2:30 pm

WGBY Public Television for Western New England

March 17, 2016

Springfield Parade Committee St. Patrick's Day Mass, Raising of Irish Flag and Reception

The Springfield float this year will commemorate the 1916 Rising, honoring those who sacrificed their lives for their beliefs and love of country.

9:00 am · Sacred Heart Church

Immediately Following:

Raising of the Irish Flag

Springfield City Hall Steps

Reception to follow in the Ante Room Free to the public

March 20, 2016

Holyoke St. Patrick's Parade

An institution since 1952, each March, the streets of Holyoke are filled with happy folks from near and far celebrating Irish heritage, civic pride, faith, family, friendship and tradition.

11:00 am · Holyoke, MA *Free to the public*

March 21, 2016

Of Terrible and Splendid Things: A Commemoration of the Easter Rising 1916

A word and image exhibit researched, compiled, and created by students in the Spring 2016 Exhibition/ History class.

Co-sponsored with the Irish Cultural Center of Western New England, and the Ancient Order of Hibernians

Reception: 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Exhibit Open 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, March 7 - 31, 2016,

excluding college holidays

Elms College

Mary Dooley College Center, 2nd Floor

Free to the public

March 27, 2016

Annual Commemoration of the Easter Rising (Éirí Amach na Cásca) of 1916

A procession will take place to the graveside of Irish Volunteer Patrick Hagerty followed by a short ceremony. The annual presentation of the Hagerty Award for Selfless Dedication to the Cause of Irish Freedom will take place at the graveside.

Join us after the commemoration for an evening of fun and entertainment at the John Boyle O'Reilly club, featuring music by the Bards and an Easter Rising educational slide show.

4:00 pm · St. Michael Cemetery
Reception Immediately Following
John Boyle O'Reilly Club, Members Lounge
Free to the public

April 3, 2016

The 1916 Irish Rebellion (Film)

The documentary is an initiative of the Keough-Naughton Institute for Irish Studies at the University of Notre Dame. Narrated by Liam Neeson, this landmark documentary tells the dramatic story of the events that took place in Dublin during Easter Week 1916, when a small group of Irish rebels took on the British Empire.

Special thanks to WGBY and The Consulate General of Ireland, Boston.

2:00 pm · Symphony Hall Free to the public

April 10, 2016

The Quiet Man (Film)

Enjoy the afternoon and take a step back in time viewing this 1952 film. Director John Ford's epic romantic comedy is a loving, sentimental, nostalgic tribute to his Irish ancestry and homeland. The memorable plot centers around a retired American boxer's return to the village of his birth in Ireland, where he finds love. Starring John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara.

2:00 pm · CityStage Free to the public

April (TBA)

The Bloody Irish - on Broadway-New York City Bus Trip

The Bloody Irish, recently recorded live in the Helix Theater, Dublin, is a remarkable performance that is sure to move its audience. The stage show combines rousing Irish ballads of that period, such as "Rocky Road to Dublin" and "It's a Long Way to Tipperary," with the poignant human story of bravery, doubt and loss on the ground. Travel provided by Peter Pan Bus Lines

7:30 am - 9:30 pm

Departs from Central High School

Cost TBA

April 23, 2016

Ancient Order of Hibernians Raising of the Irish Flag, Mass and Reception

1:00 pm · Holyoke City Hall

Free to the public

4:00 pm Mass · St. Jerome's Church

Free to the public

6:00 pm Reception · The Wherehouse, Holyoke, MAMusic by Noel Henry Band from Boston

\$30 per person

All proceeds benefit the Sisters of St. Joseph Retirement Fund

April 24, 2016

Ceili at the Club in Commemoration of the 1916 Uprising

Refreshments will be served. Music by Jimmy McArdle, Barney McElhoe, Jerry Sullivan and John Joe Martin.

2:00 pm · John Boyle O'Reilly Club \$5 per person

April 30, 2016

Trace Your Genealogy

Dave Robison, a full-time genealogist will cover the basics of conducting genealogical research. Maggie Humberston will provide an overview of the museum's resources for genealogical research following the presentation.

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Springfield Quadrangle Tolman Auditorium, Science Museum

Free to the public

May 14, 2016

Welcome Reception to Greet Honored Guests From Ireland

View an exhibit prepared by the Springfield Museum. Irish music and enjoy light hor d'oeuvres.

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Lyman and Merrie Wood Museum

of Springfield History

Free to the public

Mass of Remembrance Honoring Ireland and Her Diaspora

This Mass will be celebrated in memory of the men and women who struggled to achieve the aims of the Proclamation. It will also provide a time for prayerful reflection honoring the families who came to America and settled in Western Mass.

6:00 pm -7:00 pm

Springfield St. Michael Cathedral

Free to the public

Fáilte Abhaile-Welcome Home 1916-2016

The Pioneer Valley comes together to celebrate its Irish heritage. The event includes refreshments, light fare and cash bar. Bands to be announced.

7:30 pm -11:00 pm Lyman and Merrie

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May 15th

Springfield Forest Park - 1916 Remembrance Garden Commemoration Ceremony

Join Congressman Richard E. Neal and Mayor Domenic J. Sarno in dedicating the 1916 Remembrance Garden here in Springfield's beautiful Forest Park. The Remembrance Garden is the first to be built in the United States. The commemoration ceremony will include a flag raising, a 1916-2016 reflection, and the unveiling of the engraved granite proclamation from Ireland.

11:00 am

Forest Park, Springfield, Mass

Immediately following the ceremony the public is invited to the **John Boyle O'Reilly Club**

Free to the public